

Office of Foreign Assets Control

31 CFR Part 587

Publication of Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations Web General Licenses 21, 21A, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30.

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Publication of Web General Licenses.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing eleven general licenses (GLs) issued in the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions program: GLs 21, 21A, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30, each of which was previously made available on OFAC's website.

DATES: GL 21 was issued on April 6, 2022 and expired on June 7, 2022. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for additional relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Assistant Director for Licensing, 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, 202-622-4855; or Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, 202-622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available on OFAC's website: www.treas.gov/ofac.

Background

OFAC issued each of these eleven GLs to authorize certain activities prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587. On April 6, 2022, OFAC issued GL 21, with an expiration date of June 7, 2022. On April 7, 2022, OFAC issued GL 21A, with an expiration date of June 7, 2022, which superseded

GL 21. On April 6, 2022, OFAC issued GL 22 with an expiration date of April 13, 2022, and GL 23 with an expiration date of May 6, 2022. On April 7, 2022, OFAC issued GL 24, with an expiration date of May 7, 2022, and GL 25. On April 12, 2022, OFAC issued GL 26 with an expiration date of July 12, 2022. On April 19, 2022, OFAC issued GL 27. On April 20, 2022, OFAC issued GL 28, with an expiration date of October 20, 2022, and GL 29, with an expiration date of May 20, 2022. On May 2, 2022, OFAC issued GL 30, with an expiration date of September 30, 2022.

At the time of issuance, OFAC made GLs, 21, 21A, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30 available on its website (*www.treas.gov/ofac*). The text of these GLs is provided below.

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Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations 31 CFR part 587

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 21

Authorizing the Wind Down of Sberbank CIB USA, Inc.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, U.S. persons are authorized to engage in all transactions ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of Sberbank CIB USA, Inc., or any entity in which Sberbank CIB USA, Inc. owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including the processing and payment of salaries, severance, and expenses; payments to vendors and landlords; and closing of accounts, through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, June 7, 2022.
- (b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited by the RuHSR, including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the

RuHSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license,

unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 6, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 21A

Authorizing the Wind Down of Sberbank CIB USA, Inc. and Alrosa USA, Inc.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, U.S. persons are

authorized to engage in all transactions ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind

down of Sberbank CIB USA, Inc. or Alrosa USA, Inc. (collectively, the "blocked

entities"), or any entity in which the blocked entities own, directly or indirectly, a 50

percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities

Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including the processing and payment

of salaries, severance, and expenses; payments to vendors and landlords; and closing of

accounts, through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, June 7, 2022.

(b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited

by the RuHSR, including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the

RuHSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license,

unless separately authorized.

(c) Effective April 7, 2022, General License 21, dated April 6, 2022, is replaced

and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 21A.

Bradley T. Smith

Deputy Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 7, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 22

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Public Joint Stock Company

Sberbank of Russia

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of transactions involving Public Joint

Stock Company Sberbank of Russia ("Sberbank") or any entity in which Sberbank owns,

directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest that are prohibited by Executive

Order (E.O.) 14024 are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, April 13,

2022.

(b) This general license does not authorize:

(1) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*

Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions; or

(2) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign

Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including transactions

involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons

described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 6, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 23

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Joint Stock Company Alfa-

Bank

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of transactions involving Joint Stock

Company Alfa-Bank ("Alfa-Bank") or any entity in which Alfa-Bank owns, directly or

indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest that are prohibited by Executive Order 14024

are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, May 6, 2022.

(b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited

by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587

(RuHSR), including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR

other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless

separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 6, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 24

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Public Joint Stock Company Alrosa

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of transactions involving Public Joint

Stock Company Alrosa ("Alrosa") or any entity in which Alrosa owns, directly or

indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest that are prohibited by Executive Order 14024

are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, May 7, 2022.

(b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited

by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587

(RuHSR), including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR

other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless

separately authorized.

Bradley T. Smith

Deputy Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 7, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 25

Authorizing Transactions Related to Telecommunications and Certain Internet-

Based Communications

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this general license, all transactions

ordinarily incident and necessary to the receipt or transmission of telecommunications

involving the Russian Federation that are prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign

Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), are authorized.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this general license, the exportation or

reexportation, sale, or supply, directly or indirectly, from the United States or by U.S. persons, wherever located, to the Russian Federation of services, software, hardware, or

technology incident to the exchange of communications over the internet, such as instant

messaging, videoconferencing, chat and email, social networking, sharing of photos,

movies, and documents, web browsing, blogging, web hosting, and domain name

registration services, that is prohibited by the RuHSR, is authorized.

(c) This general license does not authorize:

(1) The opening or maintaining of a correspondent account or payable-through

account for or on behalf of any entity subject to Directive 2 under E.O. 14024,

Prohibitions Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of

Transactions Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;

(2) Any debit to an account on the books of a U.S. financial institution of the

Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the National Wealth Fund of the Russian

Federation, or the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation; or

(3) Any transaction prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 14066 or E.O. 14068.

Note to General License No. 25. Nothing in this general license relieves any

person from compliance with any other Federal laws or requirements of other Federal

agencies including export, reexport, and transfer (in-country) licensing requirements

maintained by the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security under the

Export Administration Regulations, 15 CFR parts 730–774.

Bradley T. Smith

Deputy Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 7, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 26

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Joint Stock Company SB Sberbank Kazakhstan or Sberbank Europe AG

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of transactions involving Joint Stock Company SB Sberbank Kazakhstan or Sberbank Europe AG (collectively, "the blocked Sberbank subsidiaries"), or any entity in which the blocked Sberbank subsidiaries own, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 14024 are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, July 12, 2022.
 - (b) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

 Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;
- (2) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 4 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the

 National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the

 Russian Federation; or
- (3) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki Director Office of Foreign Assets Control Dated: April 12, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 27

Certain Transactions in Support of Nongovernmental Organizations' Activities

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this general license, all transactions ordinarily incident and necessary to the activities described in paragraph (b) by nongovernmental organizations that are prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), are authorized, provided that the only involvement of blocked persons is the processing of funds by financial institutions blocked pursuant to Executive Order (E.O.) 14024.
- (b) The activities referenced in paragraph (a) of this general license are as follows:
- (1) Activities to support humanitarian projects to meet basic human needs in Ukraine or the Russian Federation, including drought and flood relief; food, nutrition, and medicine distribution; the provision of health services; assistance for vulnerable or displaced populations, including individuals with disabilities and the elderly; and environmental programs;
- (2) Activities to support democracy building in Ukraine or the Russian Federation, including activities to support rule of law, citizen participation, government accountability and transparency, human rights and fundamental freedoms, access to information, and civil society development projects;
- (3) Activities to support education in Ukraine or the Russian Federation, including combating illiteracy, increasing access to education, international exchanges, and assisting education reform projects;

(4) Activities to support non-commercial development projects directly benefiting

the people of Ukraine or the Russian Federation, including those related to health, food

security, and water and sanitation; and

(5) Activities to support environmental and natural resource protection in Ukraine

or the Russian Federation, including the preservation and protection of threatened or

endangered species, responsible and transparent management of natural resources, and

the remediation of pollution or other environmental damage.

(c) This general license does not authorize:

(1) Any transaction prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*

Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;

(2) Any debit to an account on the books of a U.S. financial institution of the

Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the National Wealth Fund of the Russian

Federation, or the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation; or

(3) Any transaction prohibited by E.O. 14066 or E.O. 14068.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 19, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 28

Authorizing Certain Transactions Involving Public Joint Stock Company

Transkapitalbank and Afghanistan

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this general license, all transactions involving Public Joint Stock Company Transkapitalbank (TKB), or any entity in which TKB owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are ultimately destined for or originating from Afghanistan and prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 14024 are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, October 20, 2022.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this general license, U.S. financial institutions are authorized to operate correspondent accounts on behalf of TKB, or any entity in which TKB owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, provided such accounts are used solely to effect transactions authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license.

- (c) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

 Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;
- (2) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 4 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the

 National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the

 Russian Federation; or
- (3) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki Director Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 20, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 29

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Public Joint Stock Company

Transkapitalbank

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of transactions involving Public Joint

Stock Company Transkapitalbank (TKB), or any entity in which TKB owns, directly, or

indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.)

14024, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, May 20, 2022.

(b) This general license does not authorize:

(1) Any transaction prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*

Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;

(2) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 4 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*

Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the

National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the

Russian Federation; or

(3) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign

Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including involving any

person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons described in

paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: April 20, 2022

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 30

Authorizing Transactions Involving Gazprom Germania GmbH

Prohibited by Directive 3 under Executive Order 14024

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

involving Gazprom Germania GmbH, or any entity in which Gazprom Germania GmbH

owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by

Directive 3 under Executive Order 14024, Prohibitions Related to New Debt and Equity

of Certain Russia-related Entities, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight

time, September 30, 2022.

(b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited

by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587

(RuHSR), including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR,

unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

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